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**In the  
Supreme Court of the United States**

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**Andrew U. D. Straw,**  
*Petitioner,*  
  
v.  
**United States,**  
*Respondent.*

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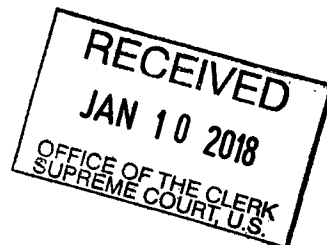
**On Writ of Certiorari to the U.S. Court of  
Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit**

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**PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

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## QUESTIONS PRESENTED

Whether the Court of Appeals below erred in refusing me bar admission through strict adherence to the rules without considering the civil rights violations that caused me to lose my Indiana law license.

Whether the Court of Appeals below erred in dismissing the appeals of the Estate of Sandra, Ava Straw, and James A. Stevens when they were in no way to blame for having their long-term attorney stripped from them, causing them to lose for lack of prosecution.

Whether the United States, by the Court of Appeals created by Congress, should now rightfully pay the full damages sought by this patriotic family that suffered lifetimes of injury and pain from U.S. Marine Corps poisoning, given the default of the government when the District Court below abandoned the FRCP requirement in 2011 that the government answer within 60 days and replaced it with no deadline whatsoever even after literally 6 years of waiting.

## PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDINGS BELOW

I, petitioner Andrew U. D. Straw, a disability rights advocate living in Kane County, Illinois, have been injured by the lack of due process in literally every federal court I have encountered. My family now stand to lose over \$15 million because the Court below is set on cooperating with other courts that injured me when I tried to use the ADA. **God forbid** that an attorney with physical and mental disabilities from public service should attempt to use the ADA. I was injured, and now my family are injured and I demand justice.

Respondent United States has injured me from before my birth with the U.S. Marine Corps poisoning. Then those disabilities from poisoning were forced from me by the Indiana Supreme Court and used against me when I tried to use the ADA. The federal courts in the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana, the Northern District of Illinois, and the Western District of Wisconsin took my law licenses without due process, failing to give me a hearing when a hearing would have revealed that the Indiana Supreme Court was attacking me using information that the Southern District of Indiana ORDERED Indiana not to use against anyone. The 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit failed to protect me, also not considering the *Perdue* injunction, and then the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit banned me from bar membership because of what those other civil-rights-violating courts did to me in conspiracy. The United States obtained all these advantages.

## CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

No corporations are parties, and there are no parent companies or publicly held companies owning any corporation's stock to my knowledge. Despite all of my protests, the following United States entities caused me injury by refusing due process in taking my law licenses and hurting me and my family:

Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana, the Northern District of Illinois, and the Western District of Wisconsin all gave me no hearing and WIWD, no notice. The Seventh Circuit refused to protect me on appeal on many occasions, making up preposterous excuses for why I should be injured and not protected. The 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit refused me bar membership and then injured my family by dismissing their appeals for lack of prosecution.

The Marine Corps poisoned me. Members of Congress have been so rude to me that they would not even provide a free U.S. flag for the grave of my dead mother, killed by Camp LeJeune poisons.

The United States has dishonored my brother, an Afghanistan combat veteran and U.S. Air Force critical care trauma nurse. It dishonored my father, a U.S. Marine Corps Vietnam veteran. It dishonored my mother's father, a U.S. Navy WWII veteran. It dishonored his father, who fought in both WWI *and* WWII. It dishonored my mother's ancestor, American Revolutionary Founder, Dr. Thomas Young.

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conflicts with relevant decisions of  
this Court.”

- II. Disabled lawyers like me, evidenced in this case, need strong constitutional and ADA protections when there is an established long history of disability abuse in the state courts. This same discrimination saturates the federal bench. Cf. *Tennessee v. Lane*, 541 U.S. 509 (2004); ADA Amendments Act of 2008.
- III. After so many years of suffering and due process violations by the federal and state courts, my family should not have been injured like this. Due process should mean that my family gets their day in court without having the only lawyer in the family, **also a poisoning victim**, excluded because a state court wanted to injure him after he made an ADA complaint about that state court, where he *worked* and became severely physically disabled.

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Petitioner respectfully petitions for a writ of certiorari to review the judgment of the Eleventh Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in this case.

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### OPINIONS BELOW

The case below is a poisoning case arising from the U.S. Marine Corps' catastrophic EPA Superfund toxic water, air, and soil contamination at Camp LeJeune, NC, **where I was born**. *Straw v. United States*, 16-17573-GG (11<sup>th</sup> Cir.). The final decision to refuse me bar admission to the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit was entered on November 1, 2017. The decision dismissing my family's appeals after we were unable to obtain counsel admitted in the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit was entered on December 4, 2017. The Indiana Supreme Court's disciplinary opinion is reported as *In the Matter of Andrew U.D. Straw*, 98S00-1601-DI-00012 (Ind., decided February 14, 2017). Indiana's discipline, mentioned in the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit, is before this Court: *Andrew Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al.*, 17-6812 (U.S. Supreme Court, filed 11/8/2017).

## JURISDICTION

The final judgment below by Edward Carnes rejecting my 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit bar admission was entered as a matter of the local rules, federal law. The ORDER dismissing all of my family's cases was done as a matter of rejecting their FTCA and *Bivens* cases for poisoning by the U.S. Marine Corps, including the death of my mother. These matters create jurisdiction to this Honorable Court under 28 U.S.C. §1254. The time limit for appeal is 90 days from the final decision about my bar membership, which was entered below on November 1, 2017. The deadline is **January 30, 2017**. 28 U.S.C. §2101(c). Original jurisdiction in the Court below was under its local rules and the Fifth Amendment, which **due process** requirements it violated. The inappropriate actions of the Court serve as witness to the collusion between the ADA violations of the Indiana Supreme Court, 4 U.S. District Courts, and the Court below, which has simply extended the reach of damage of the Indiana *Perdue* injunction violations, which are spreading like wildfire.

## CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS AT ISSUE

U.S. Constitution, Amendment V

## INTRODUCTION

I, *petitioner* Andrew U. D. Straw, am petitioning for a writ of certiorari from this Honorable Court because the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit has now extended the damage of the Indiana Supreme Court, which unlawfully suspended me, as explained in *Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al.*, 17-6812 (U.S. Supreme Court, filed 11/8/2017), to my family.

I broke both my legs and my pelvis on my way to work for the Indiana Supreme Court in a senior analyst position from 2000-2002. I have experienced 16 years of discrimination and interference, which culminated in suspending my law license because I unsuccessfully attempted to use the ADA, but the federal judges did not impose sanctions on me. Indiana inflated their non-discipline into an indefinite suspension. My license is still suspended. The ADA Coordinator attacked me after I made a complaint about the Indiana Supreme Court and its over a decade of discrimination and injury to me. She mentioned mental disabilities I was required to reveal on the Indiana bar exam application form in 1998 and 2002. *Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al.*, 1:16-cv-3483-SEB-TAB (S.D. Ind.) (Dkt. 1-13). Mentioning these disabilities in a disciplinary attack like this violates the injunction that the Southern District of Indiana put on the Indiana Supreme Court

that directed the Indiana Supreme Court not to use this information or collect it anymore. *Perdue v. Individual Members of Indiana State BLE*, 266 F.R.D. 215 (S.D. Ind.) (Dkt. 193). I am not omniscient, and I only became aware of this permanent injunction in December 2017 while doing research on this older case. The Southern District of Indiana was well-aware of **its own injunction** and should have raised it to protect me *sua sponte*, but instead invented false reasons to deny me justice without mentioning the injunction in my favor, including using *Younger* doctrine and *res judicata*. Indeed, there was *res judicata* from the *Perdue* case and it benefitted *me*.

Four U.S. district courts in the Seventh Circuit have suspended my licenses relying on this bogus discipline from Indiana with **no hearing** and disregarding my defensive pleadings, with one district providing **NO DUE PROCESS WHATSOEVER** (WIWD), and two of these cases have risen to the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit on appeal:

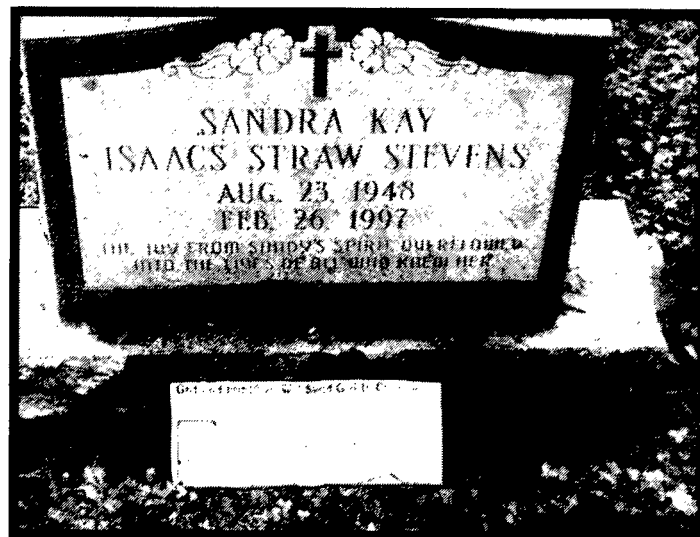
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 ACKNOWLEDGED, AND WERE  
 DISREGARDED. NO PROCESS AT ALL.**

My family here have been affected by the Marine Corps poisons, but no poison is so treacherous as courts that absolutely deny due process and justice to a family that has sacrificed like this one has. Invoking the Indiana discipline, Chief Judge Edward Carnes denied me the ability to represent my family even after I had been representing them for **5 years** for my mother's death, et. al., (true and correct copy of my mother's grave stone on penalty of perjury):



Or, justice for my daughter Ava's twisted spine that required major spinal surgery as a teenage girl and I was unable to be there for her in New Zealand for the surgery because the Midwest Courts have left me living in poverty, on food stamps, in public housing, with my main income being SSDI at \$1,115 per month. These are true and correct photos of my daughter's X-rays, on penalty of perjury:



My family, with no money to spend on lawyers and under incredible time pressure, had no lawyer after I was denied. This resulted in my mother's wrongful death case, these injuries to my daughter, and my stepfather's loss of consortium being dismissed on appeal due to the lack of representation and prosecution. The United States owes us \$15,100,000 for this treacherous treatment by its courts, which again, smacks of further **due process violations**.

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE

I was unlawfully disciplined by Indiana while I had a federal lawsuit pending to stop it. I only recently realized that there was a relevant **permanent injunction** against the Indiana Supreme Court not to hurt people who revealed their mental disabilities on the bar application form, as I did. *Perdue* at Dkt. 193.

The resulting cascade of errors and hateful treatment of myself and my family by the federal courts from not stopping Indiana has led here. My family have FTCA and *Bivens* claims for their poisoning and the government successfully persuaded the Northern District of Georgia to give it an infinite amount of time to answer in 2011. All of my family's cases contained motions for default judgment because the government was in default. The Northern District of Georgia disregarded the FRCP and the standard statement from the Clerk of Court on the Summons that 60 days was the time limit, not **60 months**, as the government obtained unlawfully and unconstitutionally. Our principal argument on appeal was that default was due and the full amount of our damages should be paid. The government also should have been required to toll, in accord with 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit precedent (*Gillings v. Banvelos*) for the *Bivens* claims and *U.S. v. Kwai Fun Wong*, 575 U.S. \_\_\_\_ (2015) for FTCA claims.

## REASONS FOR GRANTING THE WRIT

- I. Supreme Court Rule 10(c): “a state court or a United States court of appeals has decided an important question of federal law that has not been, but should be, settled by this Court, or has decided an important federal question in a way that conflicts with relevant decisions of this Court.”
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## CONCLUSION

This case is about protecting my family and their rights to compensation when the U.S. government poisoned them, and I was unlawfully and unconstitutionally prevented from representing them. Due process should have dictated that the *Perdue* injunction would protect me. This would have prevented the 4 U.S. District Courts from suspending me without due process. Due process should have prevented the ABA from terminating my membership. *Straw v. ABA*, 1:17-cv-5714 (N.D. Ill.); *Straw v. ABA*, 17-P-25 (Chic. Hum. Rel. Comm). If people would stop injuring me because I tried to use the ADA as a lawyer with physical and mental disabilities, my family would have a lawyer and I would not be so oppressed to the core of my being by the Courts of the United States, state and federal. My family's appeal is over because of Indiana and its abominable actions. This Court, in protecting *my due process rights*, must grant my family justice:

\$10,000,000 for the wrongful death of **Sandra Kay Isaacs Straw Stevens**

\$3,100,000 for the permanent disabilities and suffering of **Ava Straw**

\$2,000,000 for **James A. Stevens**